STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

VEHICLE INDUSTRY NEWS

VIN 2001-7

Subject: Commercial Vehicle Verifications

Background

In May 1998, *Vehicle Industry News* VIN 98-6 was distributed to provide new procedures for bypassing the vehicle verification process for specified new commercial motor vehicles purchased in another state and registered in California. The information stated in that memo also includes "new commercial motor vehicles purchased in another state that have a new body added to a new chassis to make the vehicle complete" if specified documents are provided.

Procedures

A vehicle verification is not required when the vehicle was originally purchased in another state as an incomplete vehicle and a new body has been added to complete the vehicle, as long as the following documents are presented in addition to the requirements outlined in *Registration Manual* §10.120 or VIN 98-6:

- a **secured** Manufacturer's Certificate or Statement of Origin (MCO or MSO) for both the cab/chassis **and** the body, *and*
- a statement of facts completed and signed by the registered owner or authorized agent certifying that the vehicle "was not constructed with any used components."
- a statement of facts completed to indicate the body type model (BTM).

NOTE: A bill of sale, invoice, or sales slip cannot be used in lieu of a secured MCO/MSO.

Distribution

This memo was distributed in April 2001 to Dealers, Dismantlers, and Registration Services.

Contact

- Your local DMV field office regarding questions on processing transactions.
- The DMV Customer Communications Section at (916) 657-6560 for further clarification of this memo. Upon request, this document can be produced in Braille or large print.

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